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REMARKS

Applicant's elections are made with traverse in order to allow for rejoinder of claims should a generic claim be allowed and/or should the method claims be amended to include the features of an allowable product claim. In addition, it is believed that although the different Groups and Species are patentably distinct, the search required for examination of all claims would not be unduly burdensome on the Examiner. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that all claims be examined on their merits.

Applicant respectfully submits that the present patent application is in condition for allowance. An early indication of the allowability of the present patent application is therefore respectfully solicited.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required. If, however, there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-2985. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

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